

PATENT APPLICATION

THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

J. Edward Cichanowicz

Art Unit: 3627

Application No.: 09/839,245

Examiner: Elaine L. Gort

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AUTOMATED METHOD FOR CONDUCTING BUY/SELL TRANSACTIONS FOR

NON-COMMODITY MATERIALS OR DEVICES

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Date: October 16, 2003

Sir:

In reply to the outstanding Office Action dated June 16, 2003, the time period for response having been extended from September 16, 2003 until October 16, 2003 with the filing of the attached Petition for Extension of Time please amend the application as shown on the following pages:

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